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The Arrow

Chiefly Speaking

SR-4N Newsletter

March 2004

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rothers,

Conclave is almost here. I hope you are exciting as much as I am. I am looking forward to seeing you all there. Rumor has it that I will be getting pied in the face during a show by a certiant lodge? I guess you have to come to see if the rumor is true.

I just wanted to remind everyone of a couple of things for conclave. All the competition materials are posted on the Section Website so please go download them. They can be found on the main page under a yellow button labeled "conclave".

The section service fund applications were due on March 1st. I hoped everyone turned one in. I have not checked my mail in a couple of weeks (cough cough) so I will clean my desk off by next week (cough cough). We will be having a Patch Auction Saturday night. We would deeply appreciate it if you could bring some patches to donate to the auction. Also, since everyone will be donating so many patches we might want to bring some money to take some pretty ones home.

Finally I want to say thank for a wonderful year. I could not have asked for a better set of officers and chiefs. Well again, I am hoping to see you all at a great conclave. Don't forget Alibamu already has your tent set up!

- Please bring a floppy disk with newsletter articles on it to conclave. That way we can produce the newsletters is a resonible amount of time. We are asking for two articles from each lodge. Thanks!
- Please bring some patches to donate to the patch auction, and some money to buy your patches back.
- Section Service Fund patches will be available for pick up at conclave.
- All the conclave information is on the website. If can be found on the main page under a yellow button titled "conclave".
- We need people to attend the OA High Adventure Basis this summer. If you are interested please contact me either by phone or email. We can HOOK YOU UP!
- The 2005 National Scout Jamboree is this summer. I hope to see you there. If you can not attend, then I encourage you to attend or work on staff for you local summer camp. Summer camp is where is began for all of us. Let us give a little back!

WWW,

Scotty Keenan
SR-4N Section Chief

Ceremonies:

Well, it's getting down to crunch time. Conclave is only a month away!!! I hope that all of the lodges are looking forward to a great weekend filled with a variety of awesome activities. One of the most important parts of the weekend is the ceremony competitions and evaluations. At the COC in January I was informed of the ceremonies that your lodge would like to participate in. We also agreed that each lodge should send the names and contact info for all of their judges no later than Feb. 1st. Well, it's March 19th and I still need a lot of that info. I appreciate the effort of some of the lodges to send me that info so quickly and I encourage those who haven't to do so immediately. By having this information I will be able to assess our need for extra judges and provide the judges with information regarding the ceremony schedule. If you have any questions or if you would like to send me the info of your judges then you can e-mail me at howbout123@aol.com or call me at 850-598-1979. Also please visit the section website and check out the Conclave page for new updates regarding the schedule and revised page requirements which will be coming very soon. Thanks and see everyone at Conclave!!

Ryan Braddy
Ceremony CVC

Special Events:

Brothers,

First off, I hope everybody is ready and pumped up for conclave as I am. As conclave is nearing there is a couple of thing I want to remind you of. First, I hope every lodge has a history display (North Cup) to display at conclave, so we can see how each lodge has been run in the past years. On that note, I still need one youth and one adult judge from each lodge to judge the North Cup Competitions. There is also space for 2 youth and 2 adult pairs from each lodge to participate in a Spades Tournament. I need each lodge to provide me with names of people who you want to participate in the food competitions. There will be food competitions at each meal Friday and Saturday for a total of four food competitions (so I need four names.)

WWW,

Mark Norris
2005 Special Events CVC

Pithlako Lodge Chief:

Section Members and Officers,

Just recently we had a Spring Ordeal. It was on the weekend of March 19th. During this ordeal we had 24 ordeal candidates and 6 brotherhood candidates. All made it through. We had two big projects that bear mentioning. We cleared all brush that was surrounding palm trees in the front of camp and we started the process of tearing down our old COPE course to make way for a new, more improved one. This made the camp look about 600% better.

Here are some of the stuff we have going for conclave. We have a extremely good brotherhood ceremony team that are working on getting there stuff together. We have a few guys who are ready to compete in OA Jeopardy and take home the gold. We have the leadership and the talent ready for any takers.

Yours in brotherhood,

Steven Hinson Jr.
Pithlako Lodge #229
Lodge Chief
(a.k.a. Chief)

National Leadership Seminar (NLS):

I am very proud to announce that NLS will be a lot closer to home this year. Our NLS location will be in Live Oak, Florida. I believe that this is a little bit on the other side of Tallahassee. I strongly encourage everyone to try to attend. We have tried very hard to move the location closer to us. Now, that it is here, we will want to keep near. The only way by doing this is by attending. Youth and adults say that this is the best training that they have ever received, inside and outside of scouting. Please be prepared to have this on our best all around lodge criteria for next year. If you have any questions please contact either myself or Steve Willis.

WWW,

Scotty Keenan
SR-4N Chief
Training Rules!

NLS Dates for SR-4N:

October 14-16, 2005
Camp Weed
Live Oak, FL
(NLS & NLATS)

An Outdoor Kinda Guy:

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Fortunately, but unfortunately the brand new High Adventure Program, OAOA – Order of the Arrow Ocean Adventure, is all full. There are no more available slots for this summer. That is great news! However, the other OA High Adventure bases still need more people. This is the lowest attendance at OATC at philmont since it's premier summer. I strongly suggest that OATC and OA Wilderness Voyage are programs that you will want to attend. Believe you me, these experiences are life changing. You will glad you took my advice when you go. The dates are below, or you can find more information at our website.

There are downloadable table tents and flyers for available on the OA National Website (www.oa-bsa.org). They are there for you to use at your lodge functions to promote these National High Adventure basis. I hope you will print these out and use them at all your spring events. Thank you for your help and thank you to all those people who are already attending a High Adventure base this summer. I hope to hear your all about your adventures when you return.

WWW,

Bobby James Hastin
Alibamu Lodge Chief
SR-4N
OA High Adventure Coordinator

Shows at Conclave:

Hey guys! My staff and I are working to put together the best show possible for Conclave. So far, things are shaping up to be an excellent show. You'll laugh; you'll cry; you'll make some new friends. I will be needing pictures of each lodges "One Day" project. You can either e-mail them to me or snail mail them to me. Either way, I need those pictures at your earliest convenience. My e-mail is DeVusDreamer@yahoo.com I look forward to seeing you all at Conclave!!

Jay Hartin

**Voyager
Order of the Arrow
Wilderness Voyager**

@ Northern Tier

Cost: \$100

Wilderness Voyage Dates:

June 7-20

June 14-27

June 21- July 4

June 28- July 11

July 5-18

July 12-25

July 19- August 1

July 26- August 8

August 2-15

OATC

Order of the Arrow

Trail Crew

@ Philmont

Cost: \$125

2005 OA Trail Crew Dates:

June 8- 22

June 15 – 29

June 22 – July 6

June 29 – July 13

July 6 – 20

July 13 – 27

July 20 – August 3

July 27 – August 10

August 3-17

Southern Region 4 North
2004 – 2005

Goals

- Visit every Lodge this year.
- Have every Lodge participate in One Day.
- Every Lodge obtains Quality Lodge.
- Every Lodge recharter on time.
- Publish four quality Newsletters and COC minutes on time.
- Have SR-4N in the top 35% of the Region Section
- Hold at least 15 Quality Training Sessions at Conclave.
- All Lodges Participate in Publications Competition at Conclave.
- All Lodges Participate in North Cup Competition at Conclave.
- Have 100% attendance of lodge representatives at All Council of Chiefs meetings and Conclave.
- Provide a Section Plan book by September 25.
- Hold a Train the Trainer Workshop by the January Council of Chiefs Meeting
- Every Lodge bring at least 25% of lodge membership to Conclave

Things to Remember (T2R)

1. Conclave is April 22-24, 2005 at Camp Tukabatchee in Prattville, Alabama. The Section will be having Council of Chiefs meeting on Friday and Saturday night. I hope to see you all there.
2. Please keep all the new Section Officers on all Lodges Mailing list. The more we know what you are up to the more we can help you. If we know when you are having an event, then we know when we can visit. Keeping the Section Officers on the lodge mailing list will still be part of the Best All Around Lodge!
3. Please bring a floppy disk with lodge articles on it to conclave for the section newsletter.
4. Individual lodge members can submit an article to *The Arrow*. The Section Newsletter for points in BAL, so please participate.
5. Lodge Chiefs – please begin planning your One Day of Service Projects. The Southern Region is hoping to have a big year in One Day. They can not do it with out your help. Let's begin early and have great year for One Day. Plan to Promote, Promote to Plan.
6. We are always accepting donations for the up coming patch auction. If you happen to be making cool patches or what not and would like to donate them, then please contact Steve Willis or myself.
7. Thank you to all the Chiefs and Advisers that responded so quickly to all the emails sent out lately.

Very Special Thanks to Alibamu for hosting Conclave this year!
Put this Piece of Paper on your Refrigerator

